

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Pulmonary disease constitutes a significant health problem in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Respiratory Care assists in diagnosing diseases of the lungs by pulmonary function studies and blood gas analysis; and,

WHEREAS, Following the diagnosis of pulmonary disorders, Respiratory Care specializes in the treatment of disorders such as emphysema, asthma, chronic bronchitis, drowning, heart attack, cystic fibrosis, and croup in many forms including the administration of life supporting oxygen, treatment by drugs, rehabilitation programs for damaged lungs which seek to improve the efficiency of breathing through strengthening and conditioning of the respiratory care muscles, as well as educational programs for patients concerning their health problems; and,

WHEREAS, Respiratory Care and the profession of Respiratory Therapists are vital and important links in our nation's health care delivery system; and,

WHEREAS, The American Association for Respiratory Care represents more than 25,000 professionals continuously serving the nation's health care needs:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 1 through 8, 1989, as

RESPIRATORY CARE WEEK

in South Dakota and encourage all citizens to be cognizant of the important role of the Respiratory Therapists in modern health care delivery.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Joyce Hazeltine
JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE